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3.	\boxtimes	This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 USC 371(f)).									
4.		The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (PCT Article 31).									
5.	\boxtimes	A copy of the International Application as filed (35 USC 371(c)(2)) a. is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).									
6.	\boxtimes	An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 USC 371(c)(2)).									
7.	\boxtimes	Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 USC 371(c)(3)) a. are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. have not been made and will not be made.									
8.		An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 USC 371(c)(3)).									
9.		An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 USC 371(c)(4)).									
10.		An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 USC 371(c)(5)).									
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I hereby certify that this express request to begin national examination procedures under 35 USC 371(f) of the International Patent Application referenced above, including all of the items listed thereon as enclosures, is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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